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**Health Care Quality and Cost Council
Special Meeting**

Minutes

Date: Friday, November 14, 2008

Time: 3:00 – 4:30 p.m.

Place: Executive Office of Health and Human Services
Matta Conference Room
One Ashburton Place, 11th floor, Boston, MA

Council Members Present: JudyAnn Bigby (Chair), Charles Baker, Kevin Beagan, Beth Capstick, Sarah Iselin, Leslie Kirwan, Shannon Linde, Katharine London, Dolores Mitchell, Greg Sullivan, and Anya Rader Wallack.

Council Members Participating by Phone: Jim Conway, Joseph Lawler, and Quentin Palfrey (representing David Friedman).

I. Items for Discussion

A. Budget: Revised FY2009 Spending Plan

The Council voted unanimously to amend the agenda and discuss the revised FY2009 spending plan at its meeting on November 19, 2008.

B. Vote to enter Executive Session to discuss website data issues

The Council voted unanimously to go into Executive Session to review confidential data for display on the website.

The Council returned from Executive Session and took a vote to continue with the original reporting plan, i.e. displaying selected inpatient and outpatient medians, pending the discussion at its meeting on November 19, 2008 and reserving the right to explore methodological changes to calculate and display the data. Charles Baker and Anya Rader Wallack abstained from the vote, and all of the remaining Council members voted in favor of the motion.

The next Council meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, November 19, 2008, 1:00 – 4:00 p.m., at One Ashburton Place, 21st floor, Boston, MA.